

Los Cerritos Wetlands Study Group

Community Forum
October 5, 2005

Overview

- What are the Los Cerritos Wetlands?
- What is the Los Cerritos Wetlands Study Group?
- Why are we studying the wetlands?
- Can any study of the wetlands be done effectively without considering plans for the adjacent areas as well?

Overview (Cont.)

- Why is YOUR opinion the most important component of this process?
- What will happen after this meeting?

Communities Represented

- Alamitos Heights Improvement Association
- Bay Harbour HOA
- Belmont Shores Mobile Estates
- Bixby Village HOA
- College Estates
- Island Village HOA
- Pacific Villas HOA
- Naples/Save Our Bay
- Spinnaker Bay HOA
- University Park Estates Neighborhood Association

Study Group Guest Speakers

- Dave Roseman—City Traffic Engineer
- Kevin Green—SCS Engineers
- Mary Small—CA State Coastal Conservancy
- Pam Anderson—CA Coastal Commission
- Angela Reynolds—Community, Environmental and Advanced Planning Officer
- Marty Moreno—L.A. Co. Department of Public Works
- Marice White--Government Solutions
- Tanya Bonfiglio—L.A. Department of Water and Power
- Don May—Earth Corps

The Last Remaining Wetlands in Long Beach

- Definition of Wetlands per California Coastal Commission and Dept. of Fish & Game
- Wetlands Inventory
- Importance to Humans
 - Survival
 - Quality of Life

How the Wetlands Looked Before Development



THE LOS ANGELES BASIN'S NATURAL COAST

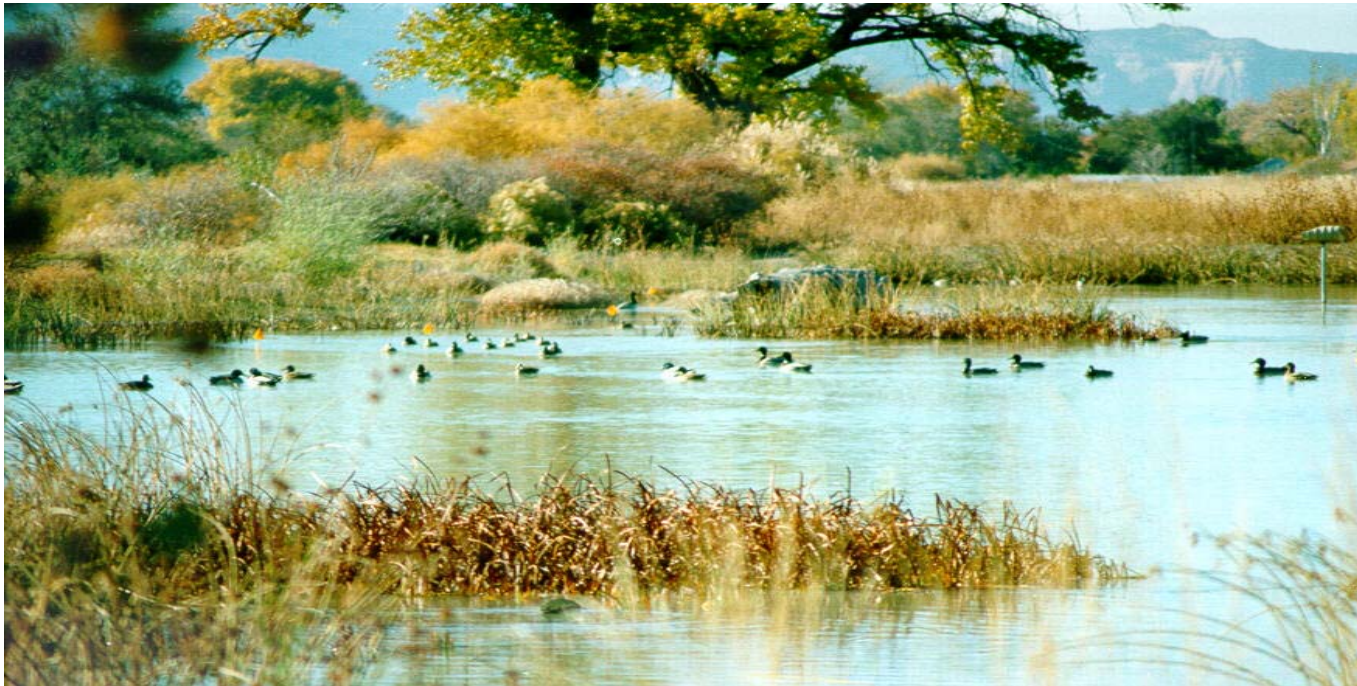
The Last Remaining Wetlands in Long Beach (Cont.)

- Vision, Restoration, and Preservation
- Economic Benefits
- City General Plan for the Area

The Wetlands Today



Environmental



Environmental (Cont.)

- Pollution
 - Air
 - Ground
 - Water
 - Light
 - Contaminants
 - Flotsam, Jetsam, Methane, Petroleum



Environmental (Cont.)



- Quality of Life
 - Health
 - Recreation
 - Educational Opportunities
 - Impact of Humans

Environmental (Cont.)

- Natural Aspect
 - Biological Cycles
 - Existing Structures
 - River Restoration
 - Power Plant Impacts
 - Flood Control Impacts on natural environment vs. the area as a whole



Traffic/Circulation

- Noise
- Loynes/Studebaker Intersection
- Number of Vehicles
- Aggregate effects of existing and future development proposals
- Traffic Light Coordination



Traffic/Circulation (Cont.)



- Accident Frequency
- Bridge Restrictions
- Air Quality
- Total Assessment (monetary)
- Pedestrian Concerns

Land Use

- A master plan and zoning determination needed before any development approval
- Geology considerations: earthquake faults, liquefaction, etc.
- Wetlands and open space to be included in the master plan



Land Use (Cont.)



- Revenue opportunities versus expenses both short and long term
- What type of development is acceptable to the impacted community?
- Good quality aesthetics required

For More Information

- http://www.longbeach.gov/plan/pb/cpd/los_ceritos.asp
- www.sangabrielriver.com
- www.coastalconservancy.ca.gov
- <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/>
- <http://www.ladwp.com/ladwp/homepage.jsp>

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